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This letter is being sent as an appeal as a **Request for Review** of a decision made by the SLD in a letter dated 10-18-05 to deny Form 471 Application #456316, FRN # 1252921 for funding year 2005.

On SLD'S 2005 Funding Commitment Letter, their reason given for denial was that "a contract for a new service was signed prior to the required 28-day waiting period computed from the date of the posting of the Form 470 to the SLD web site." This 471 should be approved because this school was covered under our qualified existing MCI contract which included an extension period. Our long distance RFP which MCI won also included this extension period language (see attached).

## MULTI-YEAR CONTRACTS AND CONTRACTS FEATURING VOLUNTARY EXTENSIONS

A multi-year contract means a contract that covers more than one year. For example, a three-year contract would expire at the end of the third year. A contract featuring voluntary extensions means that the contract expires at the end of its original term and may be voluntarily extended for one or more years pursuant to the provisions in the contract.

To comply with the FCC competitive bid process, the applicant should indicate in its RFP and/or Item 13 on the Form 470 its intent to enter into a multi-year contract for services or a contract that includes voluntary extensions. As a best practice, the applicant may provide a range of years in Item 13 on its Form 470, such as "seeking a 3- to 5-year contract" for a multi-year contract or "seeking three 1-year contract extensions" as terms for voluntary extensions. The applicant should also indicate the type of services for which it is seeking a multi-year contract.

**If an applicant has a contract with voluntary extensions for which it has filed a Form 470, it cannot extend the contract beyond its original expiration date without posting a new Form 470 and considering all bids received, unless voluntary extensions were indicated in Item 13 of the Form 470 or in the RFP.**

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Thanks! ~*Mary E. Troxel*

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